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APPLICANT: Heegaard, A.M, et al

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METHOD FOR SCREENING COMPOUNDS FOR ACTIVITY IN TREATING

AN OSTEOCLAST RELATED BONE DISEASE

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Dear Sir:

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

I, Morten Karsdal, declare I am an inventor of claims in the above-identified application (hereinafter "Application").

I obtained the Master of Science degree at "the Technical University of Denmark" in 1998, and a PhD degree from "the Southern University of Denmark" in 2005. Presently I am the Head of Pharmacology at Nordic Bioscience. For more than 8 years I have been working in the field of pharmacology of bone and cartilage, including screening of compounds against CIC-7. I have more than 30 Pubmed citations within the field of bone/cartilage and acidification of endosomal compartments including the function of CIC-7.

I have recently read the Application and the Office Action dated September 11th, 2006 ("Office Action") issued in the Application. I wish to provide the following comments for the Examiner's consideration.